



FIRST THINGS FIRST

2010 SERVICES FUNDED FOR CHILDREN REGIONAL PROGRAMS

La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council

First Things First awarded more than 4 million dollars to programs for children in La Paz and Mohave Counties in Fiscal Year 2010.

Strategy Name	Description	Regional Allocation	Awards Made	Service Numbers
Planning, Start-Up and Quality Improvement Grants	Provide planning, start-up and quality-improvement grants to allow new child care centers to open and existing centers and homes to expand enrollment.	\$251,896	\$251,896 awarded to the Association for Supportive Child Care (ASCC).	Service numbers will vary based on enrollment in the centers/homes selected.
Quality First	Fund an additional 10 Quality First slots in the region to assist providers in offering the best possible care for children. Reserve 5 slots for programs receiving planning, start-up and quality improvement grants. (10 + 8 statewide slots = 18 total slots in the region)	\$300,000	First Things First Statewide Initiative awarded to Child and Family Resources, United Way of Tucson, Southern Arizona, and Southwest Human Development.	10 Centers or Homes located in Bullhead, Parker, Kingman, Lake Havasu, Mohave Valley, Wenden, Quartzsite and Cibola.
Pre-Kindergarten Expansion	Provide tuition vouchers to increase Pre-Kindergarten slots for low-income families in school district with known shortages in early education opportunities.	\$300,000	Littlefield Unified District Quartzsite Elementary District Topock Elementary District	21 Children in Littlefield 20 Children in Quartzsite 19 Children in Topock
Emergency Child Care Scholarships	Provide temporary child care scholarships for families at or below 200% Federal Poverty.	\$685,414	First Things First Statewide Initiative awarded to the United Way of Northern Arizona.	280 Children Region-wide
T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Arizona	Expand access to T.E.A.C.H. (Teacher Education and Compensation Helps) by funding an additional 40 scholarships in the region.	\$144,400	First Things First Statewide Initiative awarded to the Association for Supportive Child Care (ASCC).	40 Scholars Region-wide
Professional Development in Early Childhood Education	Create stepping-stones to facilitate completion of educational milestones for the early care workforce. Tier 1 is community-based training. Tier 2 will provide further training for professionals who have already completed Tier 1 and/or have a CDA, AA or higher. Tier 3 will provide monthly training and networking to Center Directors.	\$384,525	\$384,525 awarded to the Association for Supportive Child Care (ASCC).	135 Providers Region-wide

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Preventive Health Outreach and Screening	Increase children's access to preventive health services including prenatal care, well-child checks, developmental screenings & oral health care through community outreach.	\$238,534	<p>\$53,914 awarded to Milemarkers Therapy Inc. for Developmental Screening Events.</p> <p>\$184,619 awarded to River Cities Community Clinic for Community Health Workers.</p>	<p>162 Children Region-wide</p> <p>300 Children in Bullhead</p>
Court Teams for Maltreated Infants & Toddlers	Coordinate essential services and provide specialized training and technical assistance on infant and toddler mental health to Court Team members and other child and family-serving agencies region-wide.	\$300,000	\$300,000 awarded to the Mohave County Superior Court.	100 Children Region-wide
Infant and Toddler Mental Health	Increase the number of mental health professionals with expertise in serving infants and toddlers through education and training.	\$100,000	First Things First Statewide Initiative awarded to Southwest Human Development in partnership with Easter Seals Blake Foundation and Prevent Child Abuse Arizona.	4 Professionals Region-wide
Child Care Health Consultation	Provide expert advice, training and information on best practices related to child health and safety to child care programs.	\$120,000	First Things First Statewide Initiative awarded to the Mohave County Department of Public Health.	1 Child Care Health Consultant will serve 30 Child Care Centers/Homes
Emergency Food Assistance	Expand provision of emergency food boxes for families with children ages birth to five.	\$102,000	<p>\$24,000 awarded to the Kingman Area Food Bank.</p> <p>\$30,000 awarded to the Interagency Council.</p> <p>\$24,000 awarded to the Salvation Army Kingman Corps.</p> <p>\$24,000 awarded to the Yuma Community Food Bank.</p>	<p>325 Families in Kingman</p> <p>487 Families in Lake Havasu and Parker</p> <p>392 Families in Kingman</p> <p>600 Families in La Paz County</p> <p>TOTAL = 1,804 Families</p>

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Home Visitation and Family Support	Provide parents and caregivers access to information, resources and high quality social support. Support, enhance and implement home visitation programs that provide parents and caregivers access to information, resources and high-quality social support.	\$1,185,896	<p>\$465,861 awarded to Child and Family Resources for the Healthy Families Program.</p> <p>\$281,803 awarded to the Learning Center for Families for Home-Based Early Head Start.</p> <p>\$284,232 awarded to the Interagency Council for the Healthy Families Program, Fatherhood Now and Parenting Children with Special Needs.</p> <p>\$72,000 awarded to the Mohave County Department of Public Health for the First Steps Program.</p> <p>\$82,000 awarded to Arizona's Children Association for the Bright Start Program.</p>	<p>138 Families in Bullhead & Kingman</p> <p>48 Families in the Northwest Arizona Strip Area</p> <p>225 Families in Lake Havasu and Parker</p> <p>60 Families in Bullhead & Kingman</p> <p>18 Families in Mohave and La Paz Counties</p> <p>TOTAL = 489 Children</p>